FORCE CHINA TO PAY IN GOLD

POWERS MAKING PLANS FOR

UNITED ACTION.

Willingness of the United States to

Accept Paymant on Silver Basis an Obstacle—Chinese Do Not Relieve Powers Will Reach an Agreement.

Special Cable Despatch to TRE SUN.
PERIN, Dec. 31.—The foreign ministers

here are conferring telegraphically with

their Governments as to how they shall act

in the event of China persisting in her re-

fusal to pay the indemnity installments

A proposal is being considered to present

a joint note, or identical notes, pointing out

that the protocol clearly provides for gold

payments, and that a failure to comply

with the protocol will entail grave conse-

The attitude of the United States pre-

sents an obstacle to such a plan. The whole

difficulty is ascribed to the United States

endorsing the silver arguments, thereby

encouraging Chinese resistance to gold

The Chinese are content to await develop-

ments, anticipating that the Powers will not

reach an agreement for common action.

and that the dealock will thereby be pro-

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.-The troubles

between China and the Powers, which have

een dormant for many months, may reach

an acute phase to-morrow, when the Chin-

ese Government will tender silver instead of

gold in payment of the second installment

of the indemnity demanded for the Boxer

outrages of 1900. This Government has

agreed to accept silver and has used its

best endeavors to persuade the other Pow-

ers to do likewise. In this, however, it

has been unsuccessful, and it is not known

what course the dissatisfied nations will

take when the silver payment is again

The first installment of the Chinese in-

demnity was due on July 1 last. It was

paid in silver, which was accepted under

protest by all the foreign Governments concerned with the exception of the United

concerned with the exception of the United States. The treaty arrangement for the payment of the indomnity provided for the liquidation of China's indebtedruss on the basis of the then value in gold of the Chinese tael, which was 74 cents and 2 mills.

Since then the value of the tael has depreciated until it is now worth 61 cents only.

preciated until it is now worth 61 cents only. To liquidate on a gold basis, therefore, China would be obliged to pay to the Powers an additional 13 2-10 cents on every tae, which in the aggregate would deplete her resources and leave her bankrupt.

The United States Government has contended that payment should be accepted by the Powers in taels, without reference to the value of this piece of money in gold. The fact that the other Governments concerned will not agree to this may produce

Paster of the "Hely Ghost and Us" Society

in Utica Stricken With Paralysis.

pastor of the "Holy Ghost and Us Society,"

UTICA. Dec. 31.-The Rev. M. Howsler,

on a gold basis.

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payments.

CASTRO ACCEPTS THE HAGUE.

IPPROVES OF ARBITRATION BY THAT TRIBUNAL.

But Makes Several Reservations in Regard to Conditions Imposed-Incontestable Claims to Be Negotiated First.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.-The State Department to-day received President Castro's response to the offer of the Powers to submit the Venezuela trouble to the permanent ribunal of arbitration at The Hague. Castro accepts the proposal, but makes several reservations in regard to the condiions imposed by the Powers.

While not wholly satisfactory, Castro's response intimates that there will be an ultimate amicable agreement to refer the matter at issue to The Hague. The answer has been transmitted to London, Berlin and Rome.

In his provisional acceptance of the arbitration proposal President Castro makes general statement that he accepts all demands of the foreign Powers. This s regarded as encouraging to the hope of a thorough agreement between all the nations oncerned, but there must be more negotiations before the plenipotentiaries who are to draw up the arbitration protocol can be assembled. It was expected here that Castro would not at first entirely surrender to the preliminary conditions of the creditor nations, so that his response, while not entirely satisfactory, is not disappointing, and is, in fact, more temperate than was to be supposed.

an was to be supposed.
The views of England, Germany and Italy The views of England, Germany and Italy in reply to Castro's communication are not expected to reach Washington for several days. There must first be exchanges between London, Berlin and Rome to determine the character of the responses, which will be virtually identical, all the European powers having decided to proceed conjointly in the negotiations, following the example of their allied coercive measures.

The telegrams from Secretary Hay containing tastro's answer were addressed to Ambassador Tower at Berlin, Ambassador Meyer at Rome and Chargé d'Affaires White at London, and will be by them laid before the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Governments to which they are respectively Governments to which they are respectively accredited. The correspondence between the creditor nations on this phase of the matter will not be initiated until this is done, and the chances are that no answers from them will be received here until Friday.

"I'M THE ONE INSULTED"-CASTRO Correspondent's Talk With President or Floor of a Ballroom.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. BERLIN, 1 ec. 31.-The Caracas correspondent of the Lokal Anzeiger says that he sought to interview President Castro at La Victoria while the President was a guest at a party given by Gen. Alcantara. The latter told the correspondent that Gen. Castro, who was dancing, could not be in-

terrupted. The correspondent waited until there was a pause in the dancing and then asked the President if he was aware that the Powers had agreed to refer their dispute with Venezuela to The Hague tribunal. Gen. Castro laughed and exclaimed: "Yes,

they have had to come to my terms." When asked if he intended to apologize to the Powers he replied: "I am the person insulted. I do not intend to apologize to anybody."

Thereupon the men and women round about clapped their hands and cheered. Gen. Castro's partner patted him on the shoulder to denote her approval of his attitude, and the pair waltzed away amid

The correspondent adds that President Castro refused Mr. Bowen's request to return to the capital, preferring to amuse himself at La Victoria, although the revolutionists were rapidly approaching. Gen. Castro is personally fearless. H. walks

TWO VICTORIES FOR CASTRO. d Two In Killed-Rebellion Growing.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN From TRE SUN Correspondent at Curaçoa WILLEMSTAD, Curaçoa, Dec. 31.-The revolutionary army at Barquisimento, in the State of Lara, has been completely routed by the forces of President Castro. In the battle which took place the insurgent Generals Gonzales and Pacheco and about 300 men were killed and great numbers of prisoners were taken with all their am-

munition. Another fight took place between the Government troops and the revolutionists under Gen. Borcega at Guiria. The insurgents were routed with a loss of 200

The revolutionists are increasing in strength all over Venezuela and there are constant additions to the armies of the in-

INCONTESTABLE CLAIMS.

Their Settlement to Come Before Hague Tribunal Is Appealed To.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN COLOGNE, Dec. 31 -A despatch from Berlin to the Cologne Gazette says it is stated officially that The Hague tribunal has not yet been asked to arbitrate the Venezuelan dispute because negotiations are passing in regard to prior conditions. Great Britain and Germany demand first the settlement of certain claims whose incontestability puts them outside arbitration. Germany's claim of this nature mounts to 1,700,000 bolivars (\$340,000).

Paris, Dec. 31.-A despatch from Caracas to the Matin says that Venezuela has promised to treat France's claims on he same basis as those of the allies, bu has refused to promise similar treatment to Belgium, Spain and Holland

19 SCHOONERS CAPTURED. Taken by Ships of Allied Fleet at Entran of La Guayra Harbor.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. om THE SUN Correspondent at Caracas.] CARACAS, Dec. 31.—The vessels of the allies continue a strict blockade of La Guayra Up to this date nineteen schooners have been captured at the entrance of that port.

There is considerable excitement in Government circles in consequence of the notes presented by Minister Bowen to Presi-Castro, containing the requests of Great Britain and Germany, the tenor of which caused the delay in Venezuela's

answer. STEAMERS FOR VENEZUELA. The Red D Line Not Yet Getting Back to entering church.

Normal Service. Despatches have been received from the Red D Line agents at Curaçoa saying that the Maracaibo, which arrived at La Guayra on Sunday and landed her mail there, has been permitted to go to Maracaibe and sailed thither at noon on Tuesday. The Caracas, which was the first steamer to arrive in Venezuela after the declaration of the blockade, remained one day in La Guayra, where she unloaded one-third of her cargo. The small steamer Merida has taken the rest of her freight from (prace a to Marzeaibo.

raca to Maracaibo. The Zulia, which arrived here late on wednesday night, will probably go only racoa on her return trip, and the Phila-la will probably follow the same

PEZ NOT CUT OFF. leation Still Open Europeans Not

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN.
PARIS, Dec. 31.—A despatch to the Temps from Tangier says that communication with Fez is still open. The Europeans in Fez have not been warned to leave for the

In addition to guns the rebils captured large sums of m ney that were ab ndoned by the Imperial troops.

The Sultan is recovering his hold over

he people, and his defences are being organized rapidly now that the surprise at the success of the pretender is passing. LISBON, Dec. 31.-The Government has lecided to send several warships to Morocco to protect Portuguese subjects. In official circles the situation in that country is re-

garded as very grave. TANGIERS, Dec. 31 .- It is known that of the American missionaries stationed at Me-quinez Mr. and Mrs. Welliver of Minnesota and Mr. George C. Reed of Kansas City left that place for Fez, where, it is presumed, they are at the present time. There is no information as to the whereabouts of the other six American missionaries who were at Mequinez.

NO CURTSEY TO LADY CURZON. British Women Deelde They Will Not "Bend the Knee."

Special Cable Despatch to TRE SUN. LONDON, Dec. 31 .- A story is printed to the effect that discussion has been rife among the numerous British women of title visiting Delhi in connection wth the coronation durbar whether on ceremonial occasions they ought to curtsey to Lady Curzon, wife of the Viceroy.

It was finally decided not to curtsey. This action has been represented here as slighting Lady Curzon, but it is nothing of he sort.

Such portentous observances are all ruled by known etiquette. The wife of the Viceroy has no official rank. She is not a Vicereine, and none of the public honors which belong to her husband as representative of the sovereign is accorded to her.

It was only recently that the Viceroy's wife was addressed at "your Excellency."

TERMS MADE BY ALLIES. eneruela to Pay \$500,000 Precedent Arbitration-No Apology.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. BERLIN, Dec. 31.-It is learned from an official source that the allies made three conditions precedent to the arbitration of their dispute with Venezuela.

The most important of these, made by each Power, is that Venezuela pay about \$300,000 or give security for such payments No demand is made for an apology. On the whole, the terms are so easy that it is believed that President Castro will not be foolish enough to reject them.

ALL DUE TO THE NEW MOON. Durbar Ceremony Gives Way to Moham medan Worship

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUK. LONDON, Dec. 31:-A curious happening has occasioned the postponing of the durban ceremony to-morrow for half an hour.

The appearance of the new moon not coinciding with the astronomical calculation of its visibility, the Viceroy has agreed to hold the durbar at 12:30 instead of at noon in order not to interfere with the performance of Id, a Mahammedan ceremony of worship.

Cuban Minister to Spain Starts fer Madrid. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

Cuban Minister to Spain, left to-day for his post at Madrid. Sefor Merchan lived for twenty-seven years in Colombia, and only returned to Cuba after the establishment of the republic. His appointment has been criticism on the part of the people.

TOD SLOAN AFTER HIS VALET. Accuses Him of Stealing \$425 Sleeve Link -No Occupation, He Says.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Dec. 31.-Emile Carloz, Swiss valet of Tod Sloan, the jockey, was arraigned in the police court this morning on a charge preferred by Sloan that he had stolen a diamond sleeve link of the value of \$125, in addition to some clothing. A pawnbroker testified that Carloz atto ipted to pawn the link at his shop in Wardour street. The valet asked whether it was worth anything and this aroused

Tod Sloan, who appeared as the plaintiff described himself as having no occupation. Carloz was remanded to custody.

TREATY IN CUBAN SENATE. President Palma Says It Will Be Accepted Very Soon.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. HAVANA, Dec 31 .- Mr. Squiers, the American Minister, conferred with Presider Palma to-day concerning the probable fate of the reciprocity treaty in the Cuban Senate.

Sefor Palma assured Mr. Squiers that the convention would be accepted, as 20 votes in its favor were assured. He expected that it would be accepted immediately

A DUTCH VICTORY. Pretender Fighting Sultan of Achin Offers

to Surrender. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN THE HAGUE, Dec. 31 .- A cable despatch from Batavia, Java, in the Dutch Netherlands, says the pretender, who has been fighting the Sultan of Achin, has offered to

BOOM IN BRITISH REVENUES. 837,000,000 More in Past Nine Months

Than for Same Period Last Year. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Dec. 31 .- 'The British revenue returns for the nine months ending to-day were nearly £7,500,000 more than for the corresponding p. ried last year.

RICH ARMENIAN KILLED. Murdered by an Anarchist in a Church in Moscow.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN Moscow, Dec. 31 .- A wealthy Armenian of the name of Schanganowk was murdered to-day by pn Anarchist while

Austrian-Hungarian Compromise.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. VIENNA, Dec. 31 .- Late this evening the Austrian and Hungarian Prime Ministers reached an agreement regarding an Austrian-Hungarian compromise. The news of the conclusion of the Augeleich appearing in special editions of the newspaper caused a pleasant sensation among the New Year's eve crowds.

Ex-Treasurer of Theatre Bankrupt. Jesse L. Oberdorfer, once treasurer of the Herald Square Theatre, has filed a petition in bankruptcy, with liabilities \$3,000 and no assets.

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CHINESE REBELS ARE STRONG

PEKIN BELIEVES THEY CAN DE-FEAT THE TROOPS.

Gen. Tung Fu Hstang Seeking Revenge -The Rebels Never Left Shensl as They Were Ordered to Do After Boxer Outbreak-Secret Investigation

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN PERIN, Dec. 31.-The Board of Foreign Mairs now admits it is probable that Gen. Tung Fu Hsiang and Prince Tuan are at he head of a rebellion.

Members of the board say that the leaders f the rebels never left Shensi, as they vere ordered to do, following the B x revolt, and the Tarone was afraid to execute them or to drive them into exile, believing that such action would precipitate rebellion. Consequently the Government has been expecting to hear ever since the Court eturned to Pekin that Gen. Tung Fu Heiang and Prince Tuan were leading a

The board declares that the Governmen roops in Shansi are sufficient to cope with he rebels, but it is the conviction here that Gen. Tung Fu Hsiang's force is superior o the Chir. se troops opposing him, and hat he is seeking revenge for the treatment ecorded him by the Empress Dowager. The Governor of Shensi, who reported that peace prevailed there, has been ordered to make a complete secret investigation and his report is expected in a few days. A report is current that Pu Chun, Prince Tuan's son, who was deposed by the Empress Dowager from his position of heir apparent to the throne, escaped from Pekin

SLASHED MASHER'S EAR, SHE SAYS

ome time ago and has joined his father.

Woman Greets an Insulting Caller With a Bread Knife.

Mrs. Adelaide Bittman, a good-looking young woman who lives at 64 West Ninetyeighth street, thinks that she slashed a masher with a bread knife last Tuesday night. She also thinks that the young man must be minus a part of his left ear, although as she fainted promptly she can't tell for

The story she tells is that a tall, dark man, whom she never saw before, annoyed her in a crowded Columbus avenue car on Tusesday night while she was on her way

When the car reached Ninety-eighth street she got off and the tall man followed. Near her own door he brushed up beside her and asked if he might see her home. She says she paid no attention to him, but ran to the door and up to her flat.

Shortly after the bell rang and Mrs. Bit-

man, thinking it was her husband, pressed he electric button to open the hall door. It was the tall man who came up the stairs.

Mrs. Bitman had been cutting bread and had the knife in her hand. The masher made a move to go in but

she blocked the door.
"I just thought I'd drop in for a few minutes," he said. "Don't make any fuss. minutes," he said. "Don't make any fuss. It's all right."
At this Mrs. Bitman tried to close the door, but the man grabbed her, she says, and put his hand over her mouth. Then she brought the bread knife into play. What she did with it she doesn't know for sure because she fainted immediately. Her husband coming in soon after found her on the floor. He reported the matter to the police of the West 100th street station.

DE KRAFFT TAUNTED IN JAIL

Wants to Get Out After Six Months carceration in Civil Suit.

A motion was argued before Justice Fitzgerald yesterday for the release from Ludlow Street Jail of Dr. William Real de Krafft, who has been incarcerated since June 20 on an order of arrest obtained by Otto F. Beese in a suit against Krafft for the alleged wrongful conversion of \$777 which Beese says he entrusted to Kra. for investment in stocks. On the argument F. P. Randolph, counsel for Krafft. read the following letter, which he said the inmate of the county jail had received from the man who had sent him there:

William R. Krafft, Ludlow Street Jail, Neu

William R. Krafft, Ludlow Street vol., New York city:

DEAR SIR: Mr. and Mrs. Otto Beese respectfully request the pleasure of your presence at the wedding of their niece, Miss Hild Voss, to Mr. L. C. Adams, at 24 Paterson street, Jersey City, on Wednesday, 29th inst. Please do not disappoint us as there will be a vacant chair at our table. We do not address you as M. D. We thought that H. C. would be more appropriate, as that stands for Hair Cutter. Yours very truly

O. F. Beese. Mr. Randolph declared that the treatment of his client had been outrageous, and asked for his release on the ground that though the suit was instituted in June last nothing had yet been done to bring it

to trial.

Lawyer Edmund Bittner, counsel for Beese, opposed the motion for DeKrafit's release, and declared that there had been reconnecessary delay in the sait. He said no unnecessary delay in the sait. He said that he had affidavits showing that Krafit had defrauded a number of other people. Justice Fitzgerald reserved decision.

Stephenson's Trial Ending.

The trial of Police Captain Stephenson on charges of failure to suppress disorderly houses in his precinct was continued yesterday at headquarters, Deputy Com-missioner Ebstein presiding. Several witnesses, including two county detectives, testified that they had visited disorderly resorts in Stephenson's precinct. The trial resorts in Stephenson's precinct. will probably end on Friday.

"Girl With the Green Eyes" Wanted in

Bertin. Clyde Fitch received a despatch yesterday from the manager of the Burg Theatre in Berlin asking him to cable what bonus and royalty he would accept for the German rights for "The Girl with the Green Eyes." It is the first offer Mr. Fitch has received from Germany for the rights of any of his

NEW YEAR'S EVE BALL AT TUXEDO Year Ushered in by Singing of "Auld Lang Syne"and Blowing of Trumpets.

TUXEDO PARK, N. Y. Dec. 31 .- The customary New Year's eve ball, the principal winter event of the season among the fashionable set at Tuxedo, took place to-night at the Tuxedo Club house. For a week previous not a room could be had at either of the clubhouses and many opened their cottages for the holiday week.

Among these were Mr. and Mrs. Charles B Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. James W. Henning, Mr. and Mrs. Cooper Hewitt, Mr. and Mr. R. Fulton Cutting, Mr. and Mrs. George Rutledge Gibson and Mr. and Mrs. Fred

The ballroom and halls leading thereto The ballroom and halls leading thereto were handsomely decorated. Dinners were numerous throughout the park. Among those who entertained were: Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Lorillard, who had a houseful of guests, including Mr. and Mrs. C. Oliver Iselin, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mortimer, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. G. Condon, Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. R. Garrison and others. 'At the clubhouse Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Haggin, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. W. Alexander and Mrs. George Merrill also gave large dinners.

At 10 o'clock the guests began to assemble in the ballroom, where dancing was begun.

At 10 clock the guests began to assemble in the ballroom, where danding was begun. A few minutes before 12 o'clock the punch bowl was brought in, trumpets were procured, and as the New Year was ushered in all joined hands in the centre of the ballroom and sang "Auld Lang Syne," and blew their trumpets, and from the stage dropped an emblem inscribed, "Happy New Year, 1903." Supper was served in the dining room at 1 o'clock. There were no favors and 1 o cotillon.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. John J. McCook, Mr. and Mrs. James B. Haggin, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Henning, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Van Nostrand, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Harriman, Miss Mary Harriman, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Stewart, Mr. J. Henry Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Price Collier, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Rives, Mr. and Mrs. George Rutledge Gibson, Miss Marie Gibson, Miss Barbey, Mr and Mrs. J. T. Tams, Miss Cruger, Mr. and Mrs. C. Oliver Iselin and Mr. and Mrs. Grenville Kane.

chester society was well-represented at the New Year's eve dance at the Ardsley Club this evening. It was the largest dance of the season. The club was taste fully decorated and brilliantly illuminated. The guests arrived in sleighs and auto-

Before the dance Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Gould entertained a party at dinner, including Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hewitt, the Misses Hewitt, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Jaffray, Jack McCullough, Mr. Sewell, Mr. and Mrs. Livingston Crosby and Mr. and Mrs. M. C

Fleming.
Mr. and Mrs. F. C. McCormack, Mrs.
James McVickar and Mr. and Mrs. H. S.
Brooks also entertained.
Dancing was enjoyed until five minutes
before midnight when the New Year was
awaited. At 12 o'clock, there were loud
cheering, tooting of horns and ringing of
bells.

bells.

Among others present were Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Cochrane, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Schuyler, Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Field Judson, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Jaffray McVickar Mr. and Mrs. Michael Van B uren, Miss Anne Archbold, R. S. Baldwin, Al Arden, H. M. Inman, and Miss Gail.

HOLIDAYS AT IROQUOIS FARM. A New York Party Entertained With Sleigh Rides, Coasting, &c.

COOPERSTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 31.-This is merry week at "Iroquois Farm," the country place of Frederick Ambrose Clark. The party that came up from New York last Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Clark has been augmented by more young people from city. Every day the big red sleigh filled with its jolly load and drawn by four trancing horses, is seen about the village streets and out in the surrounding country. streets and out in the surrounding country.

Mr. Clark, whose reputation as an expert
horseman is well known, invariably handles
the reins. A big coaster has also been
brought into use and all of the steepest
and most daring rides about the village have
been tried. The housewarming was a big
success. The party will return to New York
after New Year's.

COULDN'T HOLD THE CROWDS. Theatres Turned Hundreds Away-Punc

All the theatres were jammed last night Hundreds were turned away because the playhouses didn't even have standing room left. Meanwhile a big, noisy, jolly crowd was whooping it up all along the Tenderloin section of Broadway and Sixth avenue Almost every theatrical company helped the New Year in with a punch bowl party at midnight. After such a celebration Col. Savage provided a dinner at the Hofbrau for the "Sultan of Sulu" company. Sam Shubert took the Casino company to

Brooklyn Welcomes New Year.

All Brooklyn gave a joyous welcome to the New Year. In addition to the time honored "watch night" services in the churches, which last night were more general than ever before, most of the social and political clubs gave "smokers," "stags," dances and other entertainments.

terday announced the appointment of Wil-llam W. Wingate, who served as his Under Sheriff, as his counsel to finish up the busi-ness of his administration and defend any suits which may be brought against him. Mr. Wingate's term will be for two years, with a salary considerably in excess of the \$6,000 which he had received as Under Sheriff. Mr. Wingate is active in Republican politics and a firm supporter of Col. Michael J. Dady.

ARDSLEY CLUB CELEBRATES. Dances the Old Year Out and Cheers the

New Year In.
ARDSLEY-ON-HUDSON, Dec. 31.-West-

Parties for the Actors.

New Year's Gift to W. W. Wingste. Col. Norman S. Dike, who returns to private-life to-day, after serving one of the two years as Sheriff of Kings county, for which Charles A. Guden was elected, yes terday announced the appointment of Wil-

day night to Miss Nettie De Clines, daughter of Zachariah De Clines of 224 Grand street in that city. A former wife got a divorce from him recently in Brooklyn and the judgment was entered only three days ago.

Annual Sale

. At "The Linen Store" Will commence to-morrow. Preparations' have been made to

10 to 30 per cent.

The goods that we shall offer will, in every instance, be of the same high standard of quality which has been maintained by us since the foundation of our business, almost fifty years ago, and will include

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Embroidered Bedspreads, Quilts and Blankets, 32-Page Booklet telling about the goods mailed free on request.

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\$500 REWARD FOR \$25 CATCH. That's What Loper Hopes to Get for Nab bing a Horse Thief.

RIVERHEAD, L. I., Dec. 31.—Deputy Sheriff Gilbert H. Loper of East Moriches has good prospects of getting \$500 reward for capturing a horse thief who stole a hor and rig worth \$25, all told. When Loper first filed his claim, some weeks ago it was looked upon as something of a joke, and it is doubtful if even Loper himself knew of the prize when he took "Bill" Phillips into custody upon a charge of horse stealing. Phillips was sentenced to four months in jail upon a charge of petit larceny. Loper learned that the Board of Supervisors had about a year previous offered a reward of \$500 for information leading to the conviction of horse thieves. Loper at once filed his claim. Then the Board of Supervisors asked for an opinion from Lawyer T. M. Griffing, and he told them that the resolution read. "for the conviction of horse thieves," and not horse thief, and that they had defence on that ground, and that ground only.

At a meeting of the Board of Supervisors yesterday some of the members were in horse stealing. Phillips was sentenced

The fact that the other Governments concerned will not agree to this may produce a very serious situation and reopen the questions which at one time threatened to produce the territorial disruption of the Chinese Empire and its division among certain of the Powers. The amount which will be paid to the fiscal agents of the United States at Shanghai to-morrow is \$196,098 in American money. At a meeting of the Board of Supervisors vesterday some of the members were in favor of paying the reward without further delay, but it was finally decided to refer the matter to a committee, which is to report on Jan. 12. The resolution offering the reward was rescinded soon after Loper put in his bill. REFUSED TO CALL A PHYSICIAN.

PANAMA PING-PONG MAD.

Lyng God," whose tracts deny the fficity medicine and who professes to cure all The Game Has Superseded Arts of War or physical ills by faith alone, was stricken the Isthmus. with paralysis on Main street to-day, and, SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 31.-According with paralysis on Main street to-day, and, although suffering intense pain, refused to call a physician. M. Howsler lives at the home of Mrs. Diana Osmun, in Willow avenue, who is also a member of the Holy Ghost Society. No one was allowed to see the patient excepting the followers of the society, and the house is full of them. to officers of the Pacific Mail steamer Colon, ping-pong has superstded arts of war on the Isthmus of Panama. When the steamer reached Panama, following the declaration of peace, society was found in the throes of the harmless game of table The "Holy Ghost and Us S xiety" in this nothing else to talk about. The game had been slow in reaching the battle-scarred town, but the click of the celluloid ball had supplanted the vicious her the oresnization has increased in

BAN NER YEAR OF IMMIGRATION

citis Island Overtaxed Both Men and

Buildings.

at this port in 1902 was 551,645. The banner year before that was 1882, with 476,086.

The increasing rush of immigration has

been such a severe strain on the immigra-

tion officials that within the last ten days

four overworked men have resigned.

To get new men Mr Commissioner Williams

went to the postal civil service lists, to get

on which employees have to undergo

a more rigorous physicial test than on the

immigration list. Mr. Williams said that

of course it was his object to get sturdy

men.

Mr. Williams has got 25,000 square feet of extra floor area at Ellis Island by tearing out a number of partitions and opening up rooms that were little used and will soon begin to build a large shed at the north side of the main building containing 10,000

Married Sixty-seven Years.

DERBY, Conn., Dec. 31.-Mr. and Mrs.

Gilbert Wheeler, two residents of Derby

Neck, who are each 90 years old, celebrated

the sixty-seventh anniversary of their

Philip Cowen Buys Another Jewish Paper.

The Jewish Messenger, published here for

nearly fifty years, has been purchased by

Philip Cowen, publisher of the American

Hebrew and will be merged with the latter, the name being retained as a sub-title. The Messenger was started in 1857 by Rabbi Samuel M. Isaacs. Its new owner is the Supervisor of the City Record.

Magistrate Tighe President

Magistrate James Tighe was yesterday

DIED.

ENTZ.—Suddenly, on Tuesday, Dec. 30, Mary Ivers Gilbert, widew of J. William Entz.

Funeral on Friday, Jan. 2, at 11 A. M., from her

GOUVERNEUR-WARBURTON-On Monday, Dec.

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late residence, 24 East 83d st. Philadelphia and

29, 1902, of pneumonic, at his late residence, 32 East 22d st., in the city of New York, War-burton Gouverneur, beloved son of the late

John H. and of Mary P. Iselin, in his 25th year

uneral services at St. Philip's Church, in the Highlands, at Garrison, N. Y., Thursday, Jan.

1. 1903, at 12 o'clock. Special train will leave

Grand Central Station at 10:25 A. M., returning at the conclusion of the service.

begin to build a large side of the main building feet more of floor area.

The number of immigrants who arrived

memb rship in this city and valuity at a treme-mous rate. Whenever a member is ill members of the society displace the family and take charge of the case. ping of Mauser bullets.

Capt. L. F. Gonzalez, formerly master Capt. L. F. Gonzalez, formerly master of the steamer Newport and more recently member of the crew of the Colombian gunboat Bogota, has undertaken to raise the large steamer Lautaro, sunk in the harbor of Panama on June 20 last by the rebel gunboat Padilla. A reward of \$5,000 will be paid for the body of Gen. Alban, Colombian leader, who lost his life by the sinking of the Lautaro. HELENA'S WATER WRANGLE. Now That Injunction Has Been Granted

No Taxes Will Be Collected. HELENA, Mon., Dec. 31 .- Because of an njunction secured by the Helena Water orks Company, restraining the city Treasurer from spending any money for any purpose whatsoever, the City Council. by a vote of 7 to 2, passed a resolution allowing the taxpayers sixty days' grace in the

As there is not the remotest probability of the litigation between the city and the of the litigation between the city and the water works company being settled within a year, the Council, judging by the precedent just established, may postpone tax collections for an indefinite period.

Whatever money the treasurer collects he turns over to a committee of the C u cil, which in turn deposits it in the banks, which which in turn deposits it in the banks, which are by the injunction restrained from pay-ing it out on checks.

The Council has now decided that as long

as the city cannot spend the money it is useless to collect it from the taxpayers, o ly to be hoarded in the banks. ONLY A MILLION DAMAGES. Reported Suit by Italian Laborers Against

Erie and the Penna. Coal Co. A. S. Fraser, a lawyer, announces that he has served summonses in suits for \$1,000,-000 damages on the officers of the Erie Railroad and the Pennsylvania Coal Company, as counsel for twenty-two Italian laborers who, he says, were kidnapped from this city, locked up in a car, sent to the coal strike region and then intimidated because they didn't want to work in the

Fraser says the men thought they were hired to do railroad track work, but went on a train to Dunmore, Pa., and were asked to work in a Pennsylvania Coal Company Fraser asked the District Attorney's office yesterday to have the officers of the coal and railroad companies indicted in

LIFE SENTENCE FOR BLONDIN.

Waives Exceptions in the Hope of Obtain-Boston, Dec. 31 .- Joseph W. Blondin, the French-Canadian, who was found guilty in the second degree of murdering his wife here several years ago, to-day waived his exceptions taken during the trial and was sentenced to imprisonment for life. The move was made by Blondin's counsel because it was felt that in view of newly discovered evidence in the case Governor-elect Bates will pardon the man when he takes office.

when he takes office.

It is asserted by counsel for the defence that the trunk moved from the house on Green street, instead of being that containing the body of Mrs. Blondin, belonged to a young woman who had been rooming in the place. The prosecution charged at the trial that Blondin took the body to Chelmsford woods in the trunk and deord woods in the trunk and de capitated it.

Wed Three Days After Divorce. Rufus L. Perry, the Brooklyn negro lawyer, was married in Jersey City on TuesDE ATE'S DOVE WAS A GOOSE

PEACE BROODS OVER SULLIVAN AND THE ENGELS.

and Cost Big Tim \$100 by Sticking in the Throat of the Fat Man, While His Rival Had an Easy Eat-Over. The Hesper Club's goose-eating contest at the Silver Dollar Hotel in Essex street last night was instrumental in healing up the differences between Martin Engel and the Sullivans. Engel gave the dinner, and he laughed loud and long when the Sullivan family, including the "Big" and the 'Little" Tims, came to the goose eating.

A prize of \$50 was offered to the best goose t ler, and the only contestants were big Jack Martin of the Bowery and Joe Levy, the Duke of Essex street. Martin weighs 300 pounds and Levy 180. Platters with six pounds of goose m at on each of them were set in front of the contestants. Big Tim Sullivan bet \$100 to \$50 on Martin. Big Tim Sullivan bet \$100 to \$50 on Martin.

A pistoi shot was fired and the contestents started. Engel and Big Tim held stop watches. When two minutes had elapsed Martin gave a gasp, turned blue in the face and fell on the floor. Levy kept on eating, and while two doctors were struggling over

Martin, Levy ate up the portion in front of him.

The doctors discovered that a hairpin had lodged in Martin's throat.

Phil Wissig showed up later and shook hands with Engel, whom until yesterday he declared to be his arch enemy.

THIRD TO DIE BY ACCIDENT. Haag Killed by Gas, Son Shot and Daughter

Burned to Death. Charles Haag, a rich retired butcher in their home at 1414 Croters avenue yesterday morning. Gas was escaping from a jet, over which a new-fangled heater had been placed. Mr. Haag died on the way to the hospital. Mrs. Haag will probably

recover.

It is supposed that the gas was turned on accidentally. Mr. Haag, who was 77 years old, was in business at Sixth actived thirty years ago
Coroner Gorman was told that two of
Mr. Haag's grandchildren were killed in
the same house. A boy was shot and a girl

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was burned to death.

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wedding to-night and received the congratulations of a large number of friends. They have lived their entire married life in the house in which they now reside and where the celebration took place. HUSINESS SCHOOL. 1921 BROADWAY, Cor. West 65th St.; stenography, typewriting, took-keeping, English, etc., taught day and evening. Short course in etenography. Fine rooms and equipment. Terms moderate. Registered. THE MILLER SCHOOL OF BUSINESS ST. JAMES BUILDING, 1133 BROADWAY

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